

SouthSide Elementary Charter School

Board of Directors Meeting

126 Somerset Street, Providence, RI 02907

Monday, March 14, 2016 @ 4:30 p.m.

Minutes

1. Call to Order by Eileen Hayes at 4:34

2. Roll Call:

In Attendance: Eileen Hayes, Antoinette Gomes, Leila Morgan, Wendy Randle, Madeline Burke, Dan Corley, Carmen Rodriguez, Amy

3. Public Comment – No one for public comment

4. Approval of minutes from January 11, 2016 and February 22, 2016 meetings

a. Dan made a motion to approve Jan 12th minutes, Eileen

b. Antoinette made a motion to approve Feb 22nd minutes with revisions to Leila and Al's names, Dan seconded, all vote in favor

5. Recruitment of New Board Members

a. Wendy submitted an application for Mayra Soto – Parent of K

student, works at Lifespan

b. Madeline made motion to accept Mayra's application to the board, Dan seconded

c. Discussion ensued regarding other potential board member recommendations – Carmen suggested someone with charter school experience

6. Committee Assignments

a. Antoinette agreed to chair the Governance committee in the interim

b. Dan asked to review committee assignments – term assignments were reviewed

c. Wendy agreed to look through meeting minutes to look for updated terms

7. Education Director's Report (overview of student achievement, family & community engagement, lottery, school improvement team update, professional development, tardiness)

a. Student Achievement – Wendy recaps student achievement data

i. Highlight: Math: 96% meeting the standard in geometry – 92% in numbers and measurement

ii. Discussion about achievement data – questions from the board

iii. Antoinette requested that the summary of the data be sent to the board in advance of May meeting

b. SIT Meeting Recap

i. Review of SIT meeting agenda

ii. Discussion about SIT Goals

c. School Events

- i. Wendy reviewed recent and upcoming school events**
- ii. Wendy reviewed upcoming field trips and a new partnership with URI**
- iii. Hip Hop Dance Classes on Wednesdays with Kadeem James**
- iv. Afterschool Book Club starting in April with Chanda Womack**
- v. Author's visit April 4th – Eileen suggested a collection to fund books for students who cannot afford to purchase the book**

d. Professional Development

- i. Wendy discussed classroom/school shadow days the teachers and social worker have completed**
- ii. Restorative Discipline workshop upcoming – two staff members will attend**

e. Lottery

- i. Completed on March 1, 2016**
 - 1. 134 Kindergarten applications**
 - 2. 30 First grade applications**
 - 3. 16 second grade applications**

f. Dan inquired about open positions

- i. Positions for early childhood educator and learning partner have been posted on Indeed.com and will also be posted on School Spring**
- ii. Discussion about position requirements and timeline**

8. Budget Overview – Amy

- a. Abila is up and running and being used exclusively for book keeping**

b. Implementation grant will be depleted at the end of this month

c. Discussion about grant eligibility

9. Adjourn – Leila made a motion to adjourn at 5:41, Dan seconded, all vote in favor